

Docket No.10172-9013

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**FASTENER TAPE MATERIAL, BAG UTILIZING FASTENER TAPE MATERIAL, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF**

the specification of which was filed on July 24, 1997.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

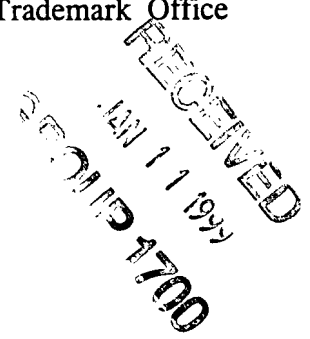
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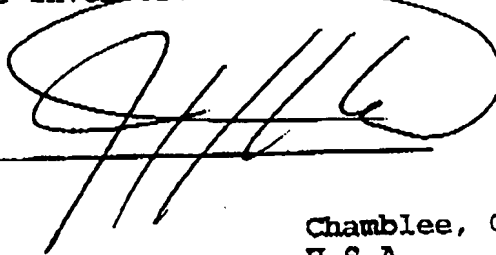


The undersigned to this Declaration and Power of Attorney hereby authorize the U.S. attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from MICHAEL, BEST & FRIEDRICH, U.S.A., as to any actions to be taken in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorneys and the undersigned. In the event of a change in the person(s) from whom instructions may be taken, the undersigned will so notify the U.S. attorneys.

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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "TAPE MATERIAL, BAG UTILIZING TAPE MATERIAL AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURE THEREOF" (Attorney Docket No. 10172-9013), the specification of which is attached hereto.

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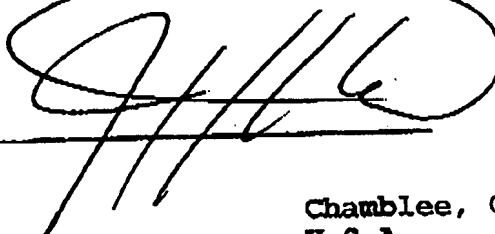
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